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STATE OF MONTANA

HELENA, MONTANA 59620

January 25, 1985

Re: Preliminary Environmental Review
H and W Wrecking

Board of County Commissioners, Fergus County Courthouse, Lewistown
Mayor, Grass Range
Dick Isern, Sanitarian, Box 1150, Lewistown,
Environmental Quality Council, Capitol Complex, Helena
Harold Chambers, State Library, Capitol Complex, Helena

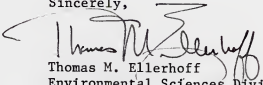
Ladies and Gentlemen:

Pursuant to the Administrative Rules of Montana, 16.2.604,
the following Preliminary Environmental Review has been prepared by the
Department of Health and Environmental Sciences concerning Marx Hedgpeth
d.b.a. H and W Wrecking in Grass Range, MT.

The purpose of the Preliminary Environmental Review is to inform
all interested governmental agencies, public groups or individuals of
the proposed action and to determine whether or not the action may have
a significant effect on the human environment. This Preliminary
Environmental Review will be circulated for a period of fifteen (15)
days at which time a decision will be made as to our future action.

If you care to comment on this proposed action, please do so within
the allotted time.

Sincerely,


Thomas M. Ellerhoff
Environmental Sciences Division

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PRELIMINARY ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW

Division/Bureau Environmental Sciences Division - Solid Waste Management Bureau

Project or Application Marx G. Hedgpeth dba/H and W Wrecking

Description of Project Establishing and licensing a new motor vehicle wrecking
facility in Grass Range, MT

POTENTIAL IMPACT ON PHYSICAL ENVIRONMENT

	Major	Moderate	Minor	None	Unknown	Comments on Attached Pages
1. Terrestrial & aquatic life and habitats				X		
2. Water quality, quantity and distribution				X		
3. Geology & soil quality, stability and moisture				X		
4. Vegetation cover, quantity and quality				X		
5. Aesthetics			X			X
6. Air quality				X		
7. Unique, endangered, fragile, or limited environmental resources				X		
8. Demands on environmental resources of land, water, air & energy				X		
9. Historical and archaeological sites				X		

POTENTIAL IMPACTS ON HUMAN ENVIRONMENT

	Major	Moderate	Minor	None	Unknown	Comments on Attached Pages
1. Social structures and mores				X		
2. Cultural uniqueness and diversity				X		
3. Local and state tax base & tax revenue			X			
4. Agricultural or industrial production				X		
5. Human health				X		
6. Quantity and distribution of community and personal income			X			
7. Access to and quality of recreational and wilderness activities					X	
8. Quantity and distribution of employment			X			
9. Distribution and density of population and housing				X		
10. Demands for government services			X			
11. Industrial & commercial activity				X		
12. Demands for energy				X		
13. Locally adopted environmental plans & goals				X		X
14. Transportation networks & traffic flows				X		

Other groups or agencies contacted or which may have overlapping jurisdiction _____

Individuals or groups contributing to this PER. _____

Recommendation concerning preparation of EIS _____ Not necessary

PER Prepared by: Thomas M. Ellerhoff

Date: January 25, 1985

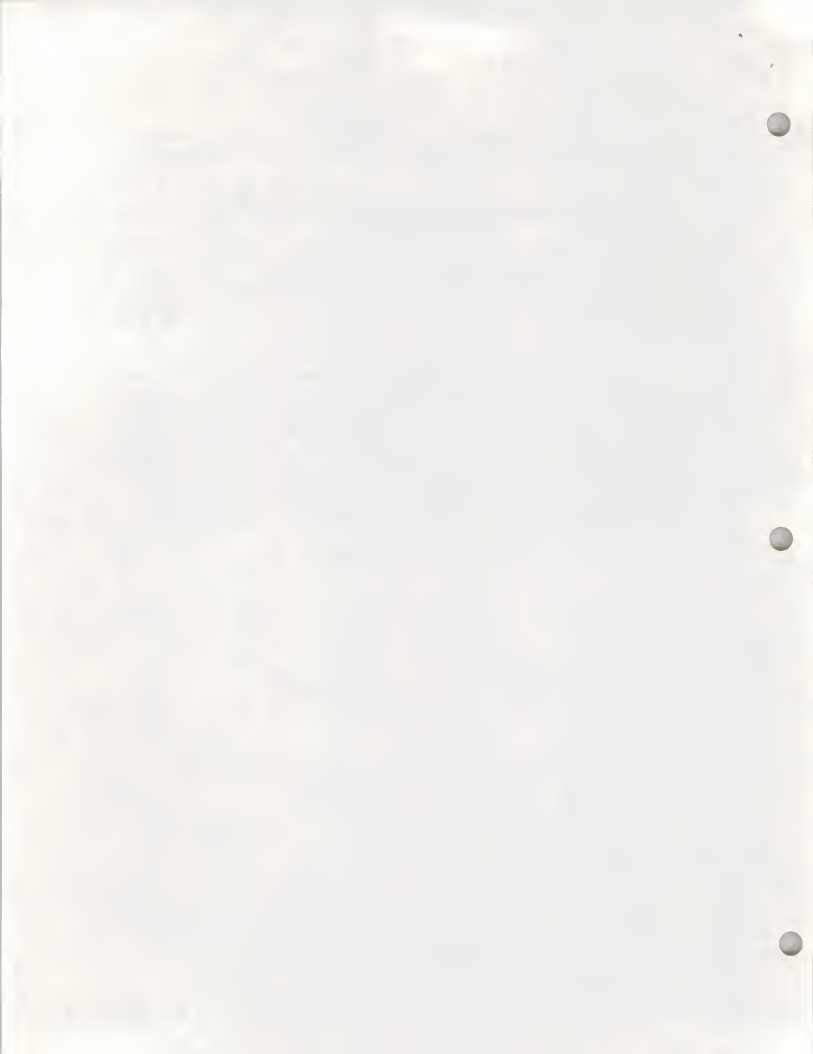
General Comments

H and W Wrecking has proposed to establish and license a wrecking facility approximately 5,780 square feet in size in lot #1, block 16 of the town of Grass Range (see enclosed map).

Since the proposed facility would be situated in Grass Range, an application was submitted and subsequently approved by the town council.

State law requires junked vehicles to be shielded from public view, which is a point six feet above the center of any public road. The proposed site is bounded by a city street on the north (Fourth Street), and a city right-of-way to the east. The west boundary abuts an abandoned brush-covered railroad grade and the south is a platted, but undeveloped city right-of-way.

A two-story building is situated in the northeast corner of the property, with a 9 foot wooden fence--constructed within prescribed DHES specifications--running from the corner of the building along the east boundary of the property. According to the applicant, a fence of similar materials and specifications will be constructed along a portion of the southern boundary, taking advantage of the natural screening provided by deciduous trees and along the northern boundary of the property. If the remaining fencing is constructed in accordance with the standards in Rule 16.14.202 ARM, the facility will be in compliance with the shielding requirements of state law. No screening is planned for the portion of the property adjacent to the railroad grade. there are no commercial or residential developments west of the grade.



MAP OF PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT

